mitigation technologies an integral part of engineering curricula; induction/in-service training to officers of All India Services and to other Government functionaries down to the level of village; upgradation of early warning systems and mainstreaming of mitigation measures in the planning and development process.

NHRC's visit to Gujarat

1078. DR. ABRAR AHMED:
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether NHRC who visited Gujarat recently has submitted any report to Government; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SWAMI CHINMAYANAND) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Overcrowding of Central prisons in country

1079. SHRI CHO S. RAMASWAMY: Will the Ministry of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many Central prisons are overcrowded surpassing its limit of intake;

(b) whether it is also a fact that basic amenities provided to the prisoners are adversely affected due to overcrowding;

(c) the reasons for this situation;

(d) what steps are being taken to rectify this situation; and

(e) whether Government propose to construct any additional prisons to control the situation and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The overcrowding of Prisons which impacts adversely upon the basic amenities provided to prisoners is attributable to inadequate prison infrastructure and increasing number of undertrial prisoners.

(d) and (e) The Government of India has introduced a new non-plan scheme for modernization of Prison administration to be implemented over a period of five years with an outlay of Rs. 1800 crore on a cost-sharing ratio of 75:25 between the Centre and States. The annual provision under the scheme is Rs. 360 crores including the repair and renovation of existing jails, improvement in sanitation and water supply and living accommodation for prison staff. Besides, the Central Government have sanctioned a scheme to set up 1,734 Fast Track Courts in the country for expeditious disposal of long pending cases and other cases involving undertrials on priority.

Crimes in Vasant Kunj, New Delhi

†1080. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to State:

(a) the number of incidents of theft, decoity, killings and rape in the capital specially in the Posh Colony like Vasant Kunj during the last one year;

(b) whether in order to check these incidents special security arrangement has been made by Government at the residential places adjoining to the Kishan Garh;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) The requisite information for the period from July, 2002 to June, 2003 is given below:

Nature of Crimes	Number of Crimes in Delhi	Number of Crimes/reported from Vasant Kunj area
Theft	15,539	225
Decoity	33	—
Murder	499	7
Rape	418	11

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.